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Response to Rule 312 Communication	Application No. 09/934,732	Applicant(s) KANNANKERIL ET AL.	
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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 06 April 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.


- d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☒ entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendments to claims 2, 5, 10, 11, 18, and 21 have been entered. Additionally, the amendment to cancel claim 3 has been entered. The amendments do not affect the scope of the invention.

However, the amendment to claim 29 has not been entered, and claims 30 and 31 have not been cancelled.

The proposed amendment to claim 29 incorporating subject matter from claims 30 and 31 creates dependency problems in claims 32 and 33 in that both claims 32 and 33 require the same limitation. It is suggested that in addition to amending claim 29 and canceling claims 30 and 31 that claim 33 also be cancelled, and a Rule 312 amendment submitted prior to payment of the issue fee incorporating this change would be entered. A telephone call was placed to applicants representative, Rupert Hurley, indicating the above.


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